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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE ORDER 12065 ON NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

REF: STATE 188270

1. POST APPRECIATES HAVING USEFUL SUMMARY (REFTEL) OF NEW
E.O. ON SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RULES. WE RECOGNIZE AND IN
PRINCIPLE SUPPORT PRESIDENT'S GOAL OF SPEEDING UP DECLASSIFICATION
OF MOST USG DOCUMENTS WHILE CONTINUING TO PRESERVE CONFIDENTIALITY

OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

2. ONE ASPECT OF NEW DECLASSIFICATION SCHEDULES AND "BALANCING
TEST" MECHANISM DOES HOWEVER DISTURB US. IN THIS COUNTRY WE ARE
HEAVILY DEPENDENT UPON INFORMATION, ESPECIALLY ON ECONOMIC,
FINANCIAL, AND COMMERICAL MATTERS, PROVIDED US IN CONFIDENCE BY US
OR FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN, BANKERS, HOST GOVERNMENT ADVISERS, ETC.
SOME OF THIS INFORMATION IS OBTAINED NO OTHER WAY. IT IS MADE
AVAILABLE TO EMBOFFS SOLELY UPON OUR ASSURANCE THAT SOURCE
OF INFORMATION WILL BE THOROUGHLY PROTECTED FOR MANY OF THOSE
INDIVIDUALS MIGHT SUFFER FINANCIALLY, INCLUDING LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT,
IF IT WERE KNOWN THAT THEY HAD PASSED THIS INFORMATION TO US.
WITHOUT THIS PROTECTION SOURCES OF THIS INFORMATION WILL SIMPLY DRY
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UP--FACT WE HAVE ALREADY DISCOVERED WHEN EMBOFF ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN
FINANCIAL DATA REQUESTED BY DEPT. OF JUSTICE ON CERTAIN
INDIVIDUAL WITH CAVEAT THAT DATA AND ITS SOURCE MAY HAVE TO BE
DISCLOSED TO INDIVIDUAL'S ATTORNEYS OR PRESENTED IN OPEN COURT.

3. FACT THAT THESE SOURCES ARE NOT "FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS" HAS
PRECLUDED OUR PROTECTING THEM BY USE OF ONE OF FOUR

CATEGORIES OF EXEMPTION PROVIDED UNDER EXISTING SECURITY CLASSIFICATION GUIDELINES. IN MANY CASES, OBVIOUSLY, SOME PROTECTION OF OUR SOURCES IS OFFERED BY AVOIDENCE OF NAMES AND ORGANIZATION IDENTIFICATIONS, AND BY RESORT TO SUCH DEVICES AS "A WELL-INFORMED SOURCE." IN OTHER CASES, HOWEVER, VERY DETAILS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED WOULD SERVE TO ENABLE KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSONS TO PINPOINT SOURCE

IN SUCH CASES, INFORMATION, AS WELL AS ITS SOURCE, REQUIRES CONTINUING PROTECTION. PLANNED AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION AFTER SIX YEARS ONLY AND "BALANCING TEST" BASED ON PUBLIC INTEREST ASSESSMENT WOULD PROVIDE INSUFFICIENT PROTECTION FOR MOST OF THESE SOURCES WHO MAY FEEL INHIBITED HENCEFORTH FROM PASSING US VALUABLE ECONOMIC INFORMATION.

4. DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON THIS ASPECT OF CLASSIFICATION/DECLASSIFICATION PROBLEM AND GUIDANCE OR SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW POST MIGHT ACT TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT IMPORTANT NON-FOREIGN GOVERNMENTAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION UNDER E.O. 12065 WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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